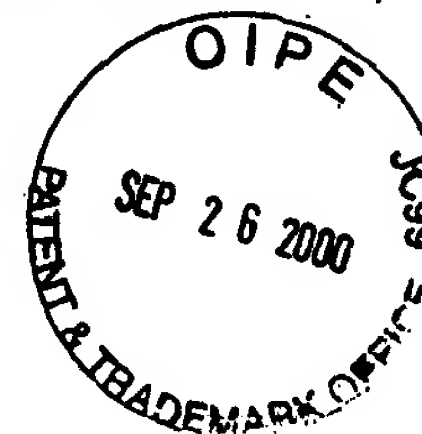


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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled AN APPARATUS FOR INTEGRATED MONITORING OF WAFERS AND FOR PROCESS CONTROL IN THE SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING AND A METHOD FOR USE THEREOF, the specification of which was filed on July 26, 2000 as Application Serial No. 09/626,793.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendments referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is known to me to be material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(a)-(d) or Section 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or Section 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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<u>Serial Number</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Status</u>
09/509,080	May 22, 2000	Pending

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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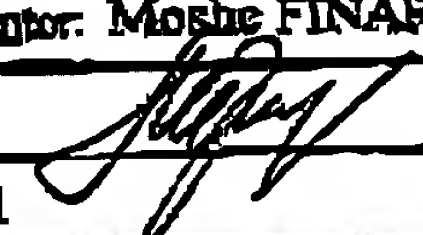
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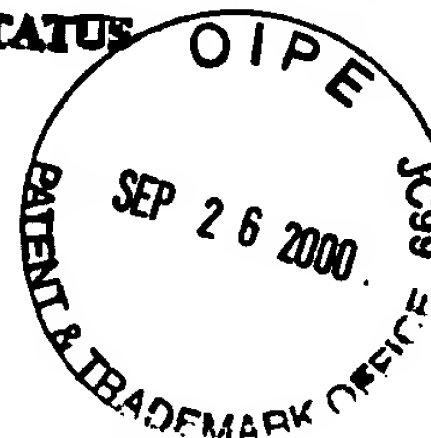
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Applicant or Patentee: Moshe FINAROVSerial or Patent No.: 09/626,793Attorney's Docket No.: 1267-993AFiled or Issued: July 26, 2000For: AN APPARATUS FOR INTEGRATED MONITORING OF WAFERS AND FOR PROCESS CONTROL IN THE SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING AND A METHOD FOR USE THEREOF**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
(37 CFR 1.9(d) and 1.37(c)) - SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN**

I hereby declare that I am

- ☐ the owner of the small business concern identified below;
☐ an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below;

NAME OF ORGANIZATION: NOVA Measuring Instruments Ltd.ADDRESS OF ORGANIZATION: Wetzelman Scientific Park, Rehovot 76100, Israel

I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualified as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.3-12, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention, entitled AN APPARATUS FOR INTEGRATED MONITORING OF WAFERS AND FOR PROCESS CONTROL IN THE SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING AND A METHOD FOR USE THEREOF by inventor(s) Moshe FINAROV described in

- ☐ the specification filed herewith.
☒ application serial no. 09/626,793 filed July 26, 2000.
☐ patent no. _____ issued _____.

If the rights held by the above identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed below* and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who could not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person made the invention, or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(a) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e). *NOTE: Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention availing to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)

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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

NAME OF PERSON SIGNING: Moshe FINAROVTITLE IN ORGANIZATION: Director of TechnologyADDRESS OF PERSON SIGNING: Wetzelman Scientific Park, Rehovot 76100, Israel

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: 14/09/2000